REGION II NEWSLETTER

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Region II Update

The planning for Region II regionals is going great. Katey Molinarolo our State Parliamentarian, Ken Feldkamp our State Treasurer and I have been working together. We are considering a Guitar Hero tournament as well as a Monopoly Tournament. My adviser, Cindee Loos has been helping with getting room's set-up and also getting Judges. Also, lunch will be served in the school cafeteria that day. My school FCCLA chapter will be having concession stands open for the day. We are happy to report everything is going smoothly.

Monopoly Tournament at Regionals

During the day at Regionals when others are testing we will be having two monopoly tournaments. A \$1.00 fee will be charged to be part of the tournament. Please email Ken, Katey, or myself to participate. The money will be taken before the game starts. All proceeds will be given to the March of Dimes.

Guitar Hero at Regionals

We are planning to have a Guitar Hero at regionals for anyone to play. We are planning to have to games going on at a time so four people can go at the same time. If you would like to play it will be \$1.00 to play and that money will go towards to the March of Dimes Penny War against the other regions.

FBLA Scholarships

Are you graduating this year? Are you looking for scholarships? FBLA has the great opportunity to give two scholarships. Both scholarships are for FBLA members who pursue a business career. The two scholarships are the Kevin P. Colling Scholarship and The Lorraine Missling Scholarship. Applications are available on the Wisconsin FBLA Website (http://dpi.wi.gov/fbla/index.html) or can be obtained from any State Executive Board member.

Applications are due January 15, 2009.

Conferences

Region II Leadership Conference
Loyal, WI (February 7, 2009)
State Leadership Conference
Milwaukee, WI (April 2-3, 2009)
National Leadership Conference
Anaheim, CA (June 25-28, 2009)



Parade of Presidents at the Regional Leadership Conference

As Region II Vice President I would like for all presidents of local chapters in Region II to be recognized at the Regional Conference. I would like to put all Presidents names and pictures in the Regional Conference Program. Will every chapter email me at wifblaregion2vp@gmail.com with their Presidents name and close-up picture. Thank you to Edgar High School for having sent me their president's picture.

Becoming a State Officer

I have been having a great time being a State Officer. I encourage anyone who has been in FBLA should consider running for any State Officer. To run for Region II Vice President all applications are due to the state office by December 15, 2008. Other state officers are due to the state office by January 9, 2009. If you have any questions about becoming a state officer please let me know. I am hoping many of you chose to run for Region II VP or another State Officer. Good Luck.



FBLA State Officers going to have some fun at CTSO State Officer
Training!



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March of Dimes by Samantha Murphy (FBLA VP)

The Future Business Leaders of America Organization's involvement with the March of Dimes Saving Babies Foundation continues to grow. This year our goal is to continue raising money to show our support. We want to encourage local chapters around the area to show their support by increasing the awareness of community members and FBLA members. We encourage chapters to hold fundraisers with all proceeds going towards the March of Dimes Foundation.

This year at Regional competition, there will be containers to collect money for the Penny War. We encourage each chapter to bring money to put in the containers. The money collected will then be taken to the State Conference in April. At the State competition, there will be a Penny War between the different regions in Wisconsin. Any money put into the containers at State will subtract from the total made at Regionals. We also encourage each chapter to participate in the Saving Babies Walk, which will be held at the State Competition in Milwaukee.

The money raised by the Wisconsin State FBLA organization, regional organizations, and local chapters is used for research to help save the lives of unborn babies. The March of Dimes Foundation's mission is to improve the health of babies. FBLA members, continue reaching out and showing your support for the Saving Babies Foundation!



Submitting an Article for Wisconsin's Annual Newsletter, The eBulletin

Did you know you could be in the Wisconsin Online Newsletter? This year the State Officers have decided to have a section in the eBulletin dedicated to those FBLA members who volunteer in their community! If you or your chapter participates in a community service project, you can submit an article and pictures to be featured in the eBulletin. Please submit these activities to Anthony Pappenfus, the Wisconsin State Reporter (wifblareporter@gmail.com).

We Want To Hear From You!

Want to share your ideas with everyone in your region? What are you doing for community service, fundraising, or monthly meetings? Send your ideas and pictures to wifblaregion2vp@gmail.com and you and your chapter can be featured in the next Region II Newsletter!

Helping the Animals

This year the state community service project is helping animals. I encourage every chapter to get involved with animals. Chapters can hold fundraisers to help the animals in their local community. You can help your local Humane Society, a local zoo, have a dog wash or have a dog walk. This year during CTSO Officer Training, our State Officers went to the Madison Zoo and helped clean the zoo for their "Eating with the Beast" event. Have fun this year with helping the animals and let us all know what you have done with them.



DECA, FBLA, and FCCLA State Officers at the Madison Zoo

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Reminder of Dates December 8, 2008 -February 27, 2009

December 8th - 19th - RLC Registration Window Open

December 15th - Regional Vice President Candidate

Applications Due to the State Office

January 5th - 6th - Onsite Testing Administrator receive testing information/exams (via email)

January 8th - 21st - Testing Window: RLC Online and Skill Event Testing at Home School

January 9th - Substitution/ Registration Cancellation
Deadline (to receive refund) to RLC host
school

January 9th - Nomination Application for National and State Officer Candidates are due to the State Office

January 15th - Wisconsin FBLA Scholarship
Applications Due

January 23rd - All pre-judged and skill event materials, along with registration fees and Regional VP candidate materials are due to regional host schools (must be received)

February 7th - Regional Leadership Conference Held at Loyal High School [2009 Officer Screening (bring campaign materials for approval)]

February 18th - Skill Event Cancellation Deadline (info to state office)

February 18th - 27th - SLC Registration Window [For the full 2008-2009 FBLA Competitive Events Calendar, please contact Jennifer Wegner, the Wisconsin State Chair (wifblaadviser@gmail.com)]





Overview of NFLC by Amber Zhou (Region VI VP)

With 5 states that came, the NFLC in Minneapolis, MN was both exciting and action-packed. The conference began with a room full of enthusiasm as five national officers began the opening session and introduced keynote speaker Dr. Joe Martin who talked about his life and what made it successful. After the opening session, a game room opened for students to network with one another.

Throughout the conference, many workshops, ranging from teamwork to SAT/ACT strategies, by a variety of speakers were open to all FBLA members. Even the Market Place was found at the conference, where FBLA-PBL attire, accessories, and equipment were sold. After an exciting one and a half days, the conference adjourned with a closing session, where keynote speaker Grant Baldwin motivated the audience to overcome obstacles in lives. However, the conference did not officially end as students danced the night away at the Blue Jeans for Babies social event. Overall, the NFLC in Minneapolis was a great success and opportunity for both students and advisors who were able to learn and network with the people around them.

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